

September 4, 1985

Mr. Steve Wilkinson, Commissioner
BURNT FORK DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM
P. O. Box 23
McKinnon, Wyoming 82938

Dear Steve,

I am sending you copies of the water rights that I found in my research for the Interstate Irrigation and Reservoir Company. I have enclosed both the Burnt Fork Rights and the Lost Creek Rights.

The Lost Creek rights that you inquired about concerning storage in Beaver Meadows Reservoir are as follows:

The company has rights under 41-1367 for Lost Creek, natural flow rights of 29.55 cfs from April 1 to October 1 and for storage in Beaver Meadows Reservoir for 1785 acre-feet of water from October 1 to March 31.

Under 41-3217, the company is adding 676 acre-feet of storage to Beaver Meadows Reservoir, which has not yet been completed.

The Lost Creek water is commingled with the Burnt Fork water for use downstream.

The total annual diversion for all rights involved on both Lost Creek and Burnt Fork cannot exceed 5,203.62 acre-feet. That is excluding the 676 under 41-3217 which should be added to the 5,203.62.

Therefore, in answer to your question, the company appears to have rights to the natural flow in Lost Creek whether they have stored water or not and would be in addition to their stored water rights.

If you have any questions, please contact me. I am unable at this time to schedule a site visit with you but hope to be able to make the necessary arrangements in the near future.

Very truly yours,

Kent L. Jones, P. E.
Distribution Engineer

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Enclosures